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SUBJ: RWANDAN PRESIDENT TO MEET BELGIAN PRIME MINISTER
AND ATTEND NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE

REF: KIGALI 0517 (NOTAL)

1. BELGIAN EMBASSY COUNSELOR HAS INFORMED CHARGE THAT PRESIDENT HABYARIMANA EXPECXTED TO MEET BELGIAN PRIME MINISTER LEBURTON PROBABLY AT GISENYI (RWANDA) AUGUST 31. ORIGINAL PROPOSAL, AT HABYARIMANA'S INITIATIVE, HAD BEEN TO MEET LEBURTON IN KINSHASA AUGUST 2, BUT THIS DATE IMPOSSIBLE FOR BELGIAN PRIME MINISTER DUE TO PRIOR COMMITMENTS. BELGIAN EMBASSY EXPECTS MEETING TO BE FOR GENERAL DISCUSSION OF RWANDAN-BELGIAN RELATIONS.

2. BELGIAN COUNSELOR ALSO INFORMED US HABYARIMANA PLANS ATTEND ALGIERS NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE WITH FOREIGN MINISTER NSEKELIJE. ACCORDING TO BELGIAN INFO, RWANDAN LEADERS PLAN TO FLY TO BUJUMBURA SEPTEMBER 2 WHERE THEY WILL BE MET BY ZAIRE PLANE WHICH WILL TRANSPORT THEM TO
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KINSHASA. FROM KINSHASA THEY WILL GO TO ALGIERS.

3. COMMENT: REPORTED HABYARIMANA DECISION TO ATTEND NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE APPARENTLY A LAST MINUTE ONE, AS GOR OFFICIALS HAD PREDICTED (REFTEL) THAT RWANDA WOULD PROBABLY BE REPRESENTED BY FOREIGN MINISTER. HABYARIMANA'S INTENTION TO GO TO ALIGERS WOULD BE IN KEEPING WITH HIS EXPRESSED DESIRE FOR RWANDA TO PLAY MORE ACTIVE ROLE IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS. SHOSTAL

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